

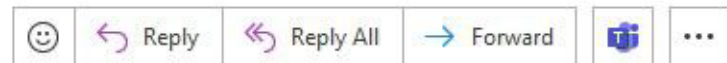
[EXT:]Opposition to Conditional Use Permit Request for 7245 S. Dorset Circle



To **Planning**

Retention Policy 3 Year Delete Auto (3 years)

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To Whom it May Concern:

My husband and I live at [REDACTED] We appreciate the opportunity to provide comments on the conditional use permit request submitted by our neighbors, the Carters, to construct a fence that is above the height permitted by code. We are opposed to the request, and request that the hearing officer find that the proposed fence will have detrimental effects on our neighborhood that cannot be substantially mitigated.

Our primary concern is safety for the young children in our neighborhood. My husband and I have twin 6 year-old daughters who bike in Dorset Circle with their friends (we have four other 6 year olds and a 4 year old within a few house radius, as well as a number of older elementary school children) almost every day when the weather is good. The circle is generally a very safe place for them to bike, as there are few cars and almost no visual impairments. The proposed fence will change that, and will substantially obstruct the view for cars turning left into the circle. In addition, I typically like to sit on a lawn chair in my front yard to watch the kids and to make sure to alert them when a car is going to turn--my ability to see them from my house will be impaired by the proposed fence.

A secondary concern is the aesthetic of the proposed fence. It is my understanding that most of the fences in front yards in Cottonwood Heights are not to exceed 4 feet. The proposed fence is well over 50% taller than typically permitted by code. In addition, I would note that the fence post that is currently in the ground is 7 feet from the sidewalk--much taller than the 6'4" fence requested. It is closer to a wall than a fence, and will be in our direct line of sight. It is strange to have a 6'4" (or 7' fence, as the case may be) in a front yard in our neighborhood, and to my knowledge, none of the front yard fences on Worchester Drive or Dorset Circle are this tall.

Thank you for considering these comments. Keeping the circle as safe as possible for our young children is of paramount importance to me (and I assume to the city), and a tall fence will hinder that safety.

Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend the public hearing, but I hope you will consider these comments to the same extent as if I had been able to make them in person.

Thank you,

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